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Town Officers.

ELECTED BIENNIALLY.

Moderator,

*JAMES C. PIPER.

Representative to General Court,

GEORGE M. HALL.

Supervisors of Check Lists,

GILBERT A. THOMPSON, FRANK H. BARKER,
JOHN E. CHASE.

ELECTED ANNUALLY.

Town Clerk,

† EDGAR N. SMITH, ‡ FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN.

Selectmen,

JOHN F. EMERY, GEORGE H. BOWLEY,
W. LESLIE DINING.

Town Treasurer,

† EDGAR N. SMITH, ‡ ISAAC S. WIGGIN.

Collector of Taxes,

JAMES E. STOCKBRIDGE.

Auditors,

† RICHARD M. SCAMMON, FRANK H. PEARSON,
‡ FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN.

ONE ELECTED EACH YEAR FOR THREE YEARS.

Board of Education,

|| JOHN F. EMERY, WILLIAM L. MORSE,
ARTHUR H. CRAIG.

Library Trustees,

RICHARD M. SCAMMON, MRS. GRACE PEARSON,
|| GEORGE E. GOWEN.

APPOINTED.

Police Officers,

† CLARENCE D. PIKE, HARRY J. SYPHERS.

Board of Health,

FRED N. EDMUNDS, JOHN W. MARSH

* Appointed by Supervisors.

† Resigned.

‡ Appointed by Selectmen.

|| Retire this year.

Town Warrant.

[L. S.] THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Stratham on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see if the town will vote to re-shingle the horse sheds, raise and appropriate money for the same.
4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the celebration of old home day.
5. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for permanent highway improvement under the laws of 1905, raise and appropriate money for the same.
6. To see if the town will vote to accept the gift of Stratham Hill from the Honorable Edward Tuck of Paris, France, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and six.

JOHN F. EMERY,	} Selectmen of Stratham.
GEO. H. BOWLEY,	
W. LESLIE DINING,	

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN F. EMERY,	} Selectmen of Stratham.
GEO. H. BOWLEY,	
W. LESLIE DINING,	

Selectmen's Report.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Bonds for Treasurer and Collector,	\$24 00
Brown tailed moths, extermination of,	100 00
County tax,	1,458 25
Contingent fund,	900 00
Highway tax, by law,	1,174 93
Library tax,	55 80
Overlay,	302 42
Painting Town Hall,	150 00
State tax,	790 50
Schools, support of by law,	1,395 00
Tax Collector's salary, 1 1-4 per cent,	79 37
	\$6,430 27

VALUATION.

Polls, 164,	\$16,400 00
Land, buildings and lumber,	338,430 00
Horses, 241,	11,560 00
Oxen, 8,	265 00
Cows, 614,	15,691 00
Other neat stock, 102,	1,820 00
Sheep, 54,	162 00
Hogs, 7,	70 00
Carriages, 19,	800 00
Stock in corporations outside State,	1,000 00
Money on hand, at interest or on deposit,	2,600 00
Stock in trade,	1,325 00
Mills and machinery,	1,650 00
	\$391,773 00

Town rate of taxation on one hundred dollars, \$1.65.

District " " " " " 36.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

George W. Dixon, note at 4 per cent,	\$500 00
Charles E. Pickering, " "	750 00
Outstanding bills, approximately,	120 01
Balance from state highway fund,	33 00
	\$1,403 01

MEANS OF PAYMENT.

Note, Stratham and Newmarket Bridge,	\$100 00
" " " " "	50 00
Uncollected taxes, approximately,	111 82
Supplies at Town Hall,	28 00
Overdraft on school tuition,	63 00
Highway supplies,	15 00
Balance on hand,	214 18
	\$582 00
Total indebtedness February 15, 1906,	\$821 01

A decrease of **\$790.73** for year ending February 15, 1906.

JOHN F. EMERY,	} Selectmen
GEORGE H. BOWLEY,	
W. LESLIE DINING,	
	} of
	} Stratham.

Treasurer's Report.

REPORT OF EDGAR N. SMITH, TOWN TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	\$143 30
Rec'd of Exeter Banking Co., note,	500 00
James E. Stockbridge, Collector,	8 38
M. G. Roberts, ex- " "	18 64
James E. Stockbridge, " "	363 34
" " " "	64 42
Exeter Banking Co., note,	300 00
Dog tax (in part),	13 47
A. J. Chapman,	3 00
	\$1,414 55

TREASURER SMITH'S DISCHARGE.

BONDS.

Dana W. Baker, agent, Treasurer's bond,	\$12 00
James E. Stockbridge, cash paid for Collector's bond,	12 00
	\$24 00

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Charles J. Brewster, Wingate bridge, labor,	\$6 00
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BROWN TAIL MOTHS.

Jeremiah Smith, tree climbers,	\$3 00
Prescott Coburn, labor for men,	27 78
" " " "	15 20
" " " "	4 20
" " " "	2 50
Fred N. Edmunds, tree pruner and expenses,	1 15
Pryor and Mathews, tree pruners,	2 00
	\$55 83

COUNTY CHARGES.

Joseph L. Currier, cutting wood, Mrs. Wentworth,	\$3 00
William L. Morse, " " "	5 00
George H. Odell, supplies, 16 weeks, Mrs. Wentworth,	24 00

\$32 00

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

Albert Gove,	\$32 00
Henry H. Lane,	16 00

\$48 00

HIGHWAYS—SUMMER ROADS.

Albert C. Leavitt, balance labor under C. E. Wiggin,	\$0 40
Asa J. Chapman, Surveyor, Dis. 4,	33 25
James W. Rollins, " " 9,	27 25
Warren J. Witham, " " 12,	34 10
Frank L. Tuttle, " " 10,	5 25
James P. Chase, " " 8,	45 20
Perley J. Wells, " " 17,	22 70
Charles J. Brewster, " " 5,	33 40
George H. Bowley, repairs on Jewell Hill,	36 20
George R. Brewster, Surveyor Dis. 1,	24 75

\$262 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Joseph W. Odell, M.D., returning births and deaths,	\$2 00
Alice M. Chesley, " " " "	4 75
Advertising,	2 63
George E. Smith, labor and materials on safe,	25 00
Fred N. Edmunds, express,	50
Paint for hearse, Pryor & Mathews,	3 60
Harry J. Syphers, Police service,	8 00
Augustus H. Otis, labor on hearse,	5 00
John H. Brackett, abatement,	81
George H. Odell, stationery,	50

\$52 79

NOTES AND INTEREST.

George W. Dixon, interest (1 year),	\$20 00
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PRINTING.

John Templeton, town accounts and supplies,	\$68 62
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SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Fred N. Edmunds, Treasurer, balance of last year,	\$95 95
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"	"	"	38 00
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"	"	"	150 00
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"	"	"	175 00
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\$458 95

SCHOOL BOOKS.

American Book Co., geographies, etc.,	\$64 90
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SCHOLARS ATTENDING APPROVED SCHOOLS.

Christopher G. Toppan, Treasurer Hampton Academy,	\$6 00
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Ernest Silver, Principal P. H. S. (Earl Stockbridge),	12 00
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Ernest Silver, Principal P. H. S. (Russell Chapman),	12 00
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\$30 00

SNOW PATHS.

George R. Brewster, after auditing Surveyor,	16, \$17 33
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Frank H. Barker,	"	"	11, 19 17
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Frank L. Tuttle, before	"	"	10, 11 03
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Benjamin F. Witham,	"	"	12, 9 13
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DeWitt C. Chapman, after	"	"	13, 14 55
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John S. Brewster, before	"	"	15, 12 65
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Albert A. Haven, after	"	"	4, 3 75
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George R. Brewster,	"	"	16, 2 25
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Arthur H. Craig,	"	"	3, 4 80
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W. Leslie Dining,	"	"	9, 2 25
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George W. Parkman,	"	"	7, 2 70
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Benjamin F. Witham,	"	"	12, 3 30
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James P. Chase,	"	"	8, 16 95
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\$119 86

PAINTING AND REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL.

Frank L. Tuttle, labor and lumber,	\$31 17	
George H. Odell, paint,	4 00	
Augustus Young, labor and copper,	55 41	
		\$90 58

TOWN OFFICERS.

George M. Hall, delivering town accounts and services as Selectman after auditing,	\$5 00	
George H. Bowley, delivering town accounts and services after auditing,	8 50	
John F. Emery, compiling town accounts and delivering same,	12 00	
John F. Emery, proof reading accounts,	2 00	
“ “ compiling school reports,	4 00	
George H. Bowley, Selectman, 1905,	20 00	
John F. Emery, making taxes,	10 00	
“ “ writing Collector's book,	3 00	
“ “ return to Secretary of State,	3 00	
“ “ Selectman to July 1, 1905,	10 00	
		\$77 50

RECAPITULATION.

Bonds,	\$24 00
Bridges and culverts,	6 00
Brown tail moths,	55 83
County charges,	32 00
Dependent soldiers,	48 00
Highways, summer roads,	262 50
Miscellaneous,	52 79
Notes and interest,	20 00
Printing,	68 62
Support of schools,	458 95
School books,	64 90

Scholars attending approved schools,	\$30 00
Snow paths,	119 86
Painting and repairs of town hall,	90 58
Town officers,	77 50
Cash on hand,	3 02
	\$1,414 55

STRATHAM, N. H., July 1, 1905.

We have this day examined the foregoing account of Edgar N. Smith, Treasurer, from February 15, 1905, to July 1, 1905, and find that he has charged himself with receipts amounting to \$1,414.55, and proper vouchers have been exhibited for the payments of items amounting to \$1,411.53, leaving a balance on hand in his hands in cash amounting to three dollars and two cents.

R. M. SCAMMON, }
 F. H. PEARSON, } Auditors.

Treasurer's Report.

REPORT OF ISAAC S. WIGGIN, TREASURER.

Rec'd of Edgar N. Smith, balance,	\$3 02
" " dog tax,	75 53
Sarah G. Downes, Cemetery fund,	50 00
Railroad tax,	174 88
Savings Bank tax,	763 17
Literary fund,	80 85
Arthur W. Dean, for state highway,	303 55
James W. Snell, cemetery lot,	15 00
John K. Bates, Treasurer, County	
charges,	275 75
Joseph M. Wiggin, back tax,	22 50
John Scammon, balance due on Par-	
ker dog,	40 00
George B. Wiggin, janitor town hall,	27 28
James E. Stockbridge, Collector,	5,873 41
	\$7,704 94

TREASURER WIGGIN'S DISCHARGE.

CEMETERY FUNDS.

A. W. Richards, Treasurer, Andrew Wiggin	
fund,	\$100 00
A. W. Richards, " Sarah Downes	
fund,	50 00
	\$150 00

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Simeon S. Brackett, plank, Wingate bridge,	\$16 73
Charles J. Brewster, drawing plank, Wingate	
bridge,	4 00
	\$20 73

COUNTY CHARGES.

Joseph L. Currier, cutting wood, Mrs. Wentworth,	\$3 50
Joseph T. Smart, rent, " "	18 00
John F. Emery, wood, " "	10 50
William L. Morse, wood, " "	7 00
George H. Odell, supplies " "	54 00
	\$93 00

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

Albert Gove,	\$76 00
Henry H. Lane,	40 75
	\$116 75

GREENWOOD CEMETERY.

Arthur H. Craig,	\$42 40
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HIGHWAYS—SUMMER ROADS.

Albert A. Haven, Surveyor,	\$36 50
John S. Brewster, " "	20 30
John H. Parks, " "	37 50
Melville P. Morrell, " "	31 05
Charles J. Brewster, " grading Hall yard,	7 00
George W. Parkman, " "	33 95
Frank L. Tuttle, " "	30 10
Roy Otis, for A. A. Haven's District,	3 00
DeWitt C. Chapman, Surveyor,	32 55
George R. Brewster, " "	4 00
William L. Morse, " "	34 75
Benjamin W. Dow, care of Pagetown road,	6 00
Erastus B. Jewell, raking rocks,	3 00
George W. Bowley, sewer grates for Jewell hill,	2 50
Hilliard & Kimball, tile,	6 25
Perley J. Wells, Surveyor,	11 00
	\$299 45

MISCELLANEOUS.

Charles H. Thompson, abatement on young stock,	\$0 99	
Gilbert A. Thompson, " on horse,	1 65	
Harry J. Syphers, police service Old Home Day,	2 00	
Peter Cote, repairing pump and stove,	65	
Charles H. Thompson, abatement on Mann pasture,	2 51	
Horace J. Willey, decorating soldiers' graves,	2 00	
Supplies for Town Clerk,	70	
Edson C. Eastman, license blanks,	2 50	
William H. Nute, M. D., returning births and deaths, 5 years,	8 25	
James H. Batchelder, supplies,	15 95	
Albert C. Lane, justice service,	1 00	
Eastman, Scammon & Gardner, services Parker case,	2 60	
Joseph W. Odell, returning one birth,	25	
Eastman, Scammon & Gardner, professional services, 3 years,	25 65	
		\$66 70

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Charles E. Pickering, interest on note,	\$30 00	
Exeter Banking Co., note and interest,	518 95	
" " " " "	309 67	
		\$858 62

PRINTING.

John Templeton, supplies,	\$10 22
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PAINTING TOWN HALL.

Horace J. Willey, per contract,	\$66 50	
Hilliard & Kimball, per contract, paint,	51 38	
" " " "	3 53	
Horace J. Willey, inside work,	1 75	
John H. Gove, mason work,	1 15	
		\$124 31

LIBRARY.

Richard M. Scammon, Trustee, library tax,	\$55 80	
Lottie G. Smart, Librarian,	28 05	
		\$83 85

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Fred N. Edmunds, Treasurer,	\$1,112 85	
“ “ “ Parker fund,	37 40	
		\$1,150 25

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Ginn & Co., Boston,	\$1 20	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Boston,	23 28	
James H. Batchelder, Exeter,	67 19	
Paid for scholars attending Robinson Female Seminary, Exeter,	24 85	
		\$116 52

SCHOLARS ATTENDING APPROVED SCHOOLS.

PORTSMOUTH HIGH.

Philip Gowen, four terms, to March 31, 1906,	\$52 00	
Earl Stockbridge, two terms, to March 31, 1906,	28 00	
Russell Chapman, one term,	16 00	
		\$96 00

EXETER HIGH SCHOOL.

Fred A. Moore, Treasurer, to Feb. 15, 1906,	\$243 75	
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ROBINSON FEMALE SEMINARY.

Albert N. Dow, Treasurer, to March 31, 1906,	360 00	
		\$699 75

Overdraft of \$52.00.

SNOW PATHS.

William H. Lang,	\$4 98	
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STREET SIGNS.

Brilliant Manufacturing Co., signs,	\$2 48
George H. Bowley, material and labor,	5 50
John F. Emery, labor,	4 00
	\$11 98

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Solon A. Carter, State Treasurer,	\$790 50
John K. Bates, County Treasurer,	1,458 25
	\$2,248 75

STATE HIGHWAY.

On account of Parkman Fill,	\$279 51
“ Morrell Hill,	577 54
	\$857 05

TOWN HALL.

Charles E. Walker & Co., 8,000 lbs. coal,	\$24 00
Melvin D. Stickney, labor,	2 00
W. Leslie Dining, drawing coal,	8 00
George W. Dixon, wood,	4 50
George H. Bowley, wood,	15 75
Frank L. Tuttle, labor,	2 00
Hilliard & Kimball, stove and funnel,	38 03
Frank L. Tuttle, labor,	1 50
Joseph T. Smart, timber for hall,	60
Frank H. Pearson, 1 gross spoons,	1 95
	\$98 33

TOWN OFFICERS.

Edgar N. Smith, Town Treasurer,	\$16 65
“ “ “ “ Clerk,	6 00
Frank H. Pearson, Auditor,	1 00
Richard M. Scammon, Auditor,	1 00

W. Leslie Dining, Selectman,	\$20 00
Edgar N. Smith, Dog Officer,	10 00
“ “ recording dog licenses, 1905,	7 60
William L. Morse, services, Board of Education,	6 00
John F. Emery, “ “ “	21 00
Edgar N. Smith, recording vital statistics,	21 30
Frederick J. Franklyn, Town Clerk, making re- turns of vital statistics to Secretary State as required by law, 981,	49 05
Frederick J. Franklyn, obtaining 78 names omit- ted from town records, under act of March 9, 1893.	19 50
Frederick J. Franklyn, service as Town Clerk,	9 76
Isaac S. Wiggin, Town Treasurer,	23 35
“ “ supplies, Town Treasurer,	8 98
George H. Bowley, Selectman,	18 50
John F. Emery, “	39 00
W. Leslie Dining, “	15 50
Fred N. Edmunds, School Clerk and Treasurer,	10 00
“ “ Board of Health,	5 44
“ “ postage,	1 00
John W. Marsh, Board of Health,	2 00
Arthur H. Craig, “ Education,	24 75
Frank H. Pearson, Auditor,	3 00
Frederick J. Franklyn, Auditor,	3 00
James E. Stockbridge, 1 1-4 per cent. for col- lecting,	78 74

\$422 12

WATERING TROUGHS.

George E. Gowen,	\$3 00
Asa J. Chapman,	3 00
Olivia E. Lane, heirs of,	3 00
James W. Rollins,	3 00
George W. Dixon,	3 00

\$15 00

RECAPITULATION.

DR.

Cash received by Treasurer,	\$7,704 94
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Cemetery funds,	\$150 00
Bridges and culverts,	20 73
County charges,	93 00
Dependent soldiers,	116 75
Greenwood cemetery,	42 40
Highways,	299 45
Miscellaneous,	66 70
Notes and interest,	858 62
Printing,	10 22
Painting Town Hall,	124 31
Public library,	83 85
Schools, support of,	1,150 25
" books,	116 52
" approved,	699 75
Snow paths,	4 98
Street signs,	11 98
State and County tax,	2,248 75
Town Hall,	98 33
Town officers,	422 12
Watering troughs,	15 00
State highway,	857 05
Balance in Treasurer's hands,	214 18
	\$7,704 94

STRATHAM, N. H., Feb. 15, 1906.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of Treasurer Isaac S. Wiggin and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance in his hands of two hundred fourteen dollars and eighteen cents.

FRANK H. PEARSON,	}	Auditors.
FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN,		

NOTES HELD AGAINST THE TOWN OF STRATHAM.

Mar. 1, 1896, George W. Dixon, \$500, 4 per cent., on demand.

Jan. 2, 1904, Charles E. Pickering, \$750, 4 per cent., on demand.

NOTES HELD BY THE TOWN OF STRATHAM.

Stratham & Newmarket Bridge Co., on account of Andrew Wiggin fund, \$100, 4 per cent., on demand.

Stratham & Newmarket Bridge Co., on account of Sarah Downes fund, \$50, 4 per cent., on demand.

Collectors' Reports.

ACCOUNT OF JOSEPH M. WIGGIN, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1906.

Uncollected taxes due from him Feb. 15, 1905, \$47 20

COLLECTOR WIGGIN'S DISCHARGE.

Paid treasurer in cash,	\$22 50	
Abated,	24 70	
		\$47 20

STRATHAM, N. H., FEB. 15, 1906.

This day examined the foregoing account of Collector Joseph M. Wiggin and find it correctly cast and properly vouched and further discharge him from any liability hereafter.

FRANK H. PEARSON, }
FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN, } Auditors.

ACCOUNT OF M. G. ROBERTS, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1906.

Mr. Roberts was charged last year with a balance of uncollected taxes and expenses of \$33.13, balance bearing interest from date of sale.

Mr. Roberts refused to submit any account to the Auditors this year, simply giving them a receipt from the Town Treasurer for \$18.64 and a voucher from the bank for the same, but whether that amount includes the correct interest or attendant expenses he has failed to show.

FRANK H. PEARSON, }
FRED'K J. FRANKLYN, } Auditors.

ACCOUNT OF JAMES E. STOCKBRIDGE, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1906.

Amount of taxes committed to him for collec-
tion, State, County, Town, School and

Highway tax,	\$5,326 16
Non-resident,	1,181 14
Uncollected taxes of 1904,	36 69
	\$6,543 99

COLLECTOR STOCKBRIDGE'S DISCHARGE.

Paid Treasurer in cash,	\$6,300 65
Discounts,	123 65
Abatements,	22 36
Balance uncollected taxes,	97 33
	\$6,543 99
Paid Treasurer interest on taxes after Dec. 1, 1905,	\$8 90

STRATHAM, N. H., Feb. 15, 1906.

This day examined the foregoing account of Collector James E. Stockbridge, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance of uncollected taxes of ninety-seven dollars and thirty-three cents. (\$97.33).

FRANK H. PEARSON,	} Auditors.
FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN,	

Town Officers' Bills.

Town of Stratham to JOHN F. EMERY, DR.

Mar.	25,	To preparing inventory blanks,	\$2 00
	29,	Exeter on account of note,	1 00
April		writing Surveyor's appointment,	1 00
	8,	appraising lumber,	1 00
	15,	making assessments,	2 00
May	2,	town business,	2 00
	25,	examining bridge,	1 50
		making taxes and writing invoice	
		book,	10 00
		writing Collector's book,	3 00
		return to Secretary of State,	3 00
July	1,	writing appointment of Treasurer	
		and Clerk,	1 00
		removing Town Clerk's records,	1 00
	11,	Portsmouth on town business,	2 40
Aug.	2-4,	meeting State Engineer and assistant,	4 00
	10,	locating telephone poles,	2 00
Sept.	9,	town business,	1 00
	20,	surveying state highway with surveyor,	1 00
	30,	drawing juror,	50
Oct.	7,	Concord to settle with Secretary of	
		State and expenses,	3 60
Feb.	10,	Portsmouth to settle with county,	2 40
	12, 13, 14, 15,	receiving bills and auditing,	8 00
		To key for safe,	10
		21 evening sessions,	10 50
			\$65 00

Received payment,

JOHN F. EMERY.

Town of Stratham to GEORGE H. BOWLEY, DR.

1905.		
Mar. 25,	To preparing inventory blanks,	\$2 00
Apr.	taking inventory,	10 00
8,	appraising lumber,	1 00
15,	making assessments,	2 00
May 12,	on town business,	2 00
25,	Emery's & Dining's and examining bridge,	1 50
Aug. 2,	meeting state road engineer,	2 00
Sept. 9,	town business,	1 00
20,	surveying state road,	1 00
30,	drawing juror,	50
Nov. 16,	Exeter, on town business,	1 00
	21 evening sessions,	10 50
1906.		
Feb. 12 and 13,	To receiving bills,	4 00
	Received payment,	<u>4 00</u> \$38 50

GEORGE H. BOWLEY.

Town of Stratham to W. LESLIE DINING, DR.

1905.		
Mar. 25,	To preparing inventory blanks,	\$2 00
April,	taking inventory,	10 00
8,	appraising lumber,	1 00
12,	Mr. Emery's,	50
15,	making assessments,	2 00
Aug. 2,	with surveyors for state road,	2 00
12,	town business,	1 00
Sept. 8,	" "	1 00
20,	with surveyors for state road,	1 00
	21 evening sessions,	10 50
30,	drawing juror,	50
1906.		
Feb. 12 and 13,	receiving bills,	4 00
	Received payment,	<u>4 00</u> \$35 50

W. LESLIE DINING.

Town of Stratham to JOHN F. EMERY, DR.

Mar. 24,	1-2 day session,	\$0 75
	Exeter for books,	1 00
27,	To Mr. Craig's,	50
April 10,	visiting schools,	2 25
25,	Division 2,	75
	supplies at Exeter,	1 00
27,	Division 1,	50
	Exeter for supplies,	50
	making return to State Superinten-	
	dent of Public Instruction,	2 75
	postage,	90
June —,	Exeter for supplies,	1 00
	all schools but Division 3,	2 25
	Epping to see teacher,	2 50
	8 evening sessions,	4 00
	postage,	35
		\$21 00
Received payment,		
JOHN F. EMERY.		

Town of Stratham to ARTHUR H. CRAIG, DR.,
For services on School Board.

1905.

Mar. 24,	To 1-2 day in session,	\$0 75
April 1,	evening session,	50
10,	Divisions 2 and 3 with supplies,	50
11,	" 1 and 2 " "	50
13,	" 1 " "	25
15,	evening session,	50
17,	repairs, Division 2,	1 35
18,	Divisions 2 and 3 with supplies,	75
May 3,	" 1, 2 and 3, "	50
18,	" 2 and 3, "	50
26,	" 2, 3 and 4, "	75
June 6,	" 2 and 3, "	50
12,	" " "	50

Aug.	29,	To evening session,	\$0 50
Sept.	2,	repairs and Division 2,	2 50
	13,	Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4, supplies,	1 25
	14,	“ 2, supplies,	50
	20,	“ 1, 2 and 3 “	75
		repairs, Division 2,	75
Oct.	11,	Divisions 1, 2 and 3, supplies,	75
	24,	“ “ “	75
Nov.	11,	“ 1 “	25
	16,	“ 2 “	25
	20,	“ 1 and 2 “	50
	28,	“ 1, 2 and 3 “	75
		evening session,	50
Dec.	4,	Division 3, supplies,	25
	12,	“ 1, 2 and 3, supplies,	75
	19,	“ 3 “	50
1906.			
Jan.	2,	“ 3 and 4 “	75
	3,	“ 1 “	25
	11,	“ 2 “	25
	24,	repairs, Division 2,	1 10
	25,	Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4, supplies,	1 25
		Sundries for all schools,	1 80

\$24 75

Received payment,

ARTHUR H. CRAIG.

Town of Stratham to WILLIAM L. MORSE, DR.

To services on Board of Education, \$6 00

Received payment,

WILLIAM L. MORSE.

Report of Board of Health.

Whole number of cases under quarantine, 1 ; that is, scarlet fever, which remained in strict quarantine from Oct. 11, 1905, to Dec. 5, 1905.

We would call the attention of parents to the law in regard to vaccination. No child will be allowed to attend the spring term unless it has been vaccinated. We would recommend that all cellars be thoroughly cleaned this spring and that chloride of lime be freely used about the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED N. EDMUNDS, } Board of
JOHN W. MARSH, } Health.

Town Hall.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES OF TOWN HALL.

Cash paid by Treasurer Smith :

Frank L. Tuttle, labor and lumber,	\$31 17
George H. Odell, paint,	4 00
Augustus Young, labor and copper,	55 41

Cash by Treasurer Wiggin :

Horace J. Willey, labor on outside hall,	66 50
Hilliard & Kimball, paint " "	51 38
" " " on inside "	3 53
Horace J. Willey, labor on inside hall,	1 75
John H. Gove, mason work,	1 15
George B. Wiggin, janitor service,	38 50
" " oil, brooms, wicks, etc.,	6 64
Charles E. Walker & Co., 8,000 lbs. coal,	24 00
Melvin D. Stickney, labor,	2 00
W. Leslie Dining, drawing coal,	8 00
George W. Dixon, wood,	4 50
George H Bowley, "	15 75
Frank L. Tuttle, labor,	3 50
Joseph T. Smart, timber,	60
Frank H. Pearson, spoons,	1 95
Hilliard & Kimball, stove and funnel and labor,	38 03
Insurance,	26 25

\$357 89

RECEIPTS.

Cash per appropriation,	\$150 00	
from all sources,	72 42	
Wood and coal on hand,	28 00	
		\$250 42
Leaving a balance against Town,		\$107 44

To be credited as follows :

1 town meeting, 1 school meeting,	\$3 00	
Fuel for Library,	5 00	
Selectmen, 21 evening sessions,	5 50	
Other town officers' meetings,	5 00	
		\$18 50

NO APPROPRIATION.

Extra work of A. Young,	\$55 41	
Frank L. Tuttle, labor,	3 50	
Hilliard & Kimball, paint,	3 53	
Frank H. Pearson, spoons,	1 95	
Joseph T. Smart, timber,	60	
Insurance,	26 25	
		\$109 74

Actual receipts over expenses of Town Hall for year ending Feb. 15, 1906,	\$2 30
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REPORT OF GEORGE B. WIGGIN, JANITOR OF TOWN HALL.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 14, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

From Winnicut Grange,	\$36 61	
Bunker Hill Jr. O. U. A. M.,	4 20	
Winnicut A. Club,	3 04	
Entertainments and rehearsals,	28 57	
		\$72 42

EXPENSES.

Paid for oil, supplies, etc.,	\$6 64
George B. Wiggin, janitor,	38 50
I. S. Wiggin, Treasurer, balance,	27 28
	\$72 42

SUPPLIES ON HAND.

2 1-2 tons coal,	\$20 00
2 cords wood,	8 00
	\$28 00

STRATHAM, N. H., Feb. 15, 1906.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of Janitor George B. Wiggin, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN F. EMERY,	} Selectmen
GEORGE H. BOWLEY,	
W. LESLIE DINING,	
	of
	Stratham.

Highway Surveyors' Reports.

WILLIAM L. MORSE, Surveyor, District 1.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid man with team,	35	hours at .40,	\$14 00	
man,	35	" .15,	5 25	
J. J. Proctor,	30	" .15,	4 50	
G. W. Dixon, with team,	20	" .40,	8 00	
" " man,	20	" .15,	3 00	
				\$34 75
Received payment,				
W. L. MORSE.				

JOHN H. PARKS, Surveyor, District 2.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid A. A. Haven, team,	20	hours at .40,	\$8 00	
Stewart Spurr,	40	" .15,	6 00	
John H. Parks, team,	50	" .40,	20 00	
" " "	23 1-2	" .15,	3 50	
				\$37 50
Received payment.				
JOHN H. PARKS.				

ASA J. CHAPMAN, Surveyor, District 3.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid George Chapman, team,	29	hours at .40,	\$11 60	
Harry J. Syphers,	" 23	" .40,	9 20	
Warren Chapman,	" 29	"	4 35	
Asa J. Chapman,	" 29	"	4 35	
" " extra man,	25	" .15,	3 75	
				\$33 25

SNOW PATHS.

Paid A. A. Haven, after auditing, \$3 75

Received payment,

ASA J. CHAPMAN.

ALBERT A. HAVEN, Surveyor, District 4.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid A. A. Haven, team,	25	hours at .40	\$10 00
John H. Parks, team,	20	" .40	8 00
James Snell, team,	10	" .40	4 00
A. H. Otis, team,	20	" .40	8 00
A. H. Otis, man, labor,	20	" .15	3 00
Ray Otis, labor,	20	" .10	2 00
James Snell, man, labor,	10	" .15	1 50

\$36 50

SNOW PATHS.

Paid A. H. Craig after auditing, \$4 80

Received payment,

ALBERT A. HAVEN.

CHARLES J. BREWSTER, Surveyor, District 5.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid C. J. Brewster, one day, raking rocks,	\$1 50
Railing for bridge and labor,	3 00
Boards for bridge,	3 00
27 1-2 hours, with team, at .40,	11 00
Five hours, raking rocks,	75
F. H. Pearson, 11 hours, with team, at .40,	4 40
15 hours, for man,	2 25
George Furner, 15 hours with team,	6 00
George Wiggin, 15 hours at .15,	2 25
Prescott Coburn, 15 hours at .15,	2 25
J. Edmunds, 20 hours at .15,	3 00

\$38 40

\$6 of this total expended on Wingate bridge.

Received payment,

C. J. BREWSTER.

MELVILLE P. MORRELL, Surveyor, District 6.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid M. P. Morrell, man and team, 65 hours,	\$18 15
“ “ sharpening drill and car fare,	30
Stewart Spurr, labor, 60 hours at .15,	9 00
Geo. R. Brewster, use cart, 37 “ .05,	1 85
A. Young, dynamite, nails, etc.,	1 75
	\$31 05

Received payment,

MELVILLE P. MORRELL.

GEORGE W. PARKMAN, Surveyor, District No. 7.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid Geo. W. Parkman, man and team, 37 hours	
at .40,	\$14 80
Geo. W. Parkman, man and team, 40 hours	
at .15,	6 00
Joseph G. Barnard, cart and horses, 16 hours	
at .25,	4 00
J. Wesley Berry, man and team, 8 hours at	
.40,	3 20
Harry E. Boston, 22 hours at .15,	3 40
Arthur J. Thompson, 17 hours at .15,	2 55
	\$33 95

SNOW PATHS.

Paid for snow paths after auditing,	\$2 70
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Received payment,

GEORGE W. PARKMAN.

JAMES P. CHASE, Surveyor, District 8.

Paid B. Dow, Exeter, work on Pagetown road,	\$6 00
J. W. Berry, man and team, 30 hours at .40,	12 00
W. H. Lang, " " 3 " .40,	1 20
" " " 50 " .15,	7 50
J. P. Chase " " 50 " .40,	20 00
" " " 36 2-5 " .15,	5 50
	\$52 20

SNOW PATHS.

Paid W. H. Lang,	\$4 98
James P. Chase,	16 95
	\$21 93

Received payment,

JAMES P. CHASE.

JAMES W. ROLLINS, Surveyor, District 9.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid J. W. Rollins, team, 25 hours at .40,	\$10 00
" " man, 25 " .15,	3 75
" " extra horse, 15 " .10,	1 50
A. N. Rollins, use cart, 5 " .05,	25
W. L. Dining, team, 20 " .40,	8 00
" " extra horse, 15 " .10,	1 50
" " " man, 15 " .15,	2 25
	\$27 25

SNOW PATHS.

Paid W. L. Dining after auditing,	\$2 25
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Received payment,

JAMES W. ROLLINS.

FRANK L. TUTTLE, Surveyor, District 10.

Paid Frank L. Tuttle, team,	21	hours at .20,	\$4 20
“ “ labor,	64	“ .15,	9 60
George Bowley, “	27	“ .15,	4 05
C. Grant, labor and man,	18	“ .15,	2 70
John E. Chase, labor, man,	18	“ .15,	2 70
“ labor, team,	18	“ .40,	7 20
G. R. Brewster, team,	9	“ .40,	3 60
John S. Scammon, cart,			1 00
Hilliard & Kimball, tile,			6 25
			\$41 60

SNOW PATHS.

Paid Frank L. Tuttle, before auditing,	\$11 03
Received payment,	
FRANK L. TUTTLE.	

*GEORGE H. BOWLEY, Acting Surveyor, District 11.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid Michael Spurr,	40	hours at .15,	\$6 00
Stewart Spurr,	40	“ .15,	6 00
George R. Brewster, team,	35	“ .40,	14 00
George H. Bowley,	50	“ .15,	7 50
A. Young, tools, nails, etc., on bridge,			2 70
Swamscott Machine Co., grates for tile,			2 50
E. B. Jewell, raking rocks,			3 00
			\$41 70

SNOW PATHS.

Paid Frank H. Barker, after auditing,	\$19 17
Received payment,	
GEORGE H. BOWLEY.	

* Appointed Surveyor, failed to qualify.

WARREN J. WITHAM, Surveyor, District 12.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid W. J. Witham, labor,	40 hours at .15,	\$6 00	
A. E. Jewell, " team,	33 " .40,	13 20	
F. J. Witham, " "	30 " .15,	4 50	
Perley J. Wells, " " "	26 " .40,	10 40	
			\$34 10

SNOW PATHS.

Paid Benjamin Witham, after auditing,	\$3 30	
" " before "	9 13	
		\$12 43

Received payment,

WARREN J. WITHAM.

DEWITT C. CHAPMAN, Surveyor, District 13.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid DeWitt C. Chapman, team,	20 hours at .25,	\$5 00	
" " labor,	37 " .15,	5 55	
Russell Chapman, team,	20 " .40,	8 00	
George E. Gowen, " "	20 " .40,	8 00	
Warren Chapman, labor,	20 " .15,	3 00	
Arthur Gowen, " "	20 " .15,	3 00	
			\$32 55

SNOW PATHS.

Paid DeWitt C. Chapman, after auditing,	\$14 55	
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Received payment,

DEWITT C. CHAPMAN.

JOHN S. BREWSTER, Surveyor, District 15.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid John S. Brewster, horse and cart,	39 hours		
at .15,		\$5 85	
John S. Brewster, man,	93 hours at .15,	13 95	
Sylvester Dame, plowing,		50	
			\$20 30

SNOW PATHS.

Paid John S. Brewster before auditing,	\$12 65	
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Received payment,

JOHN S. BREWSTER.

GEORGE R. BREWSTER, Surveyor, District 16.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid G. R. Brewster, team, 17	1-2 hours at .40,	\$7 00
“ “ man, 10	hours at .15,	1 50
John E. Chase, team, 10	“ .25,	2 50
John S. Scammon, team, 10	“ .40,	4 00
“ “ man, 15	“ .15,	2 25
Ray S. Scammon, 15	“ .10,	1 50
M. Spurr, 20	“ .15,	3 00
Willis Brewster, 30	“ .10,	3 00
Geo. R. Brewster, team, 10	“ .40,	4 00

 \$28 75

SNOW PATHS.

Paid Geo. R. Brewster after auditing,	\$2 25
“ “ “ “ “	17 33

 \$19 58

Received payment,

GEORGE R. BREWSTER.

PERLEY J. WELLS, Surveyor, District 17.

SUMMER ROADS.

Paid Perley J. Wells, team, 58	hours at .40,	\$23 20
extra men, 70	“ .15,	10 50

 \$33 70

Received payment,

PERLEY J. WELLS.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION OF HIGHWAY MONEYS.

By law of 1899,	\$979 43	
*Additional amount for State Aid,	195 50	
Total amount raised by town,		\$1,174 93
Total amount set apart for State Highway,		586 50
Amount to be expended on districts,		\$588 43

EXPENDITURES.

By Smith, as Treasurer :		
For bridges and culverts,	\$6 00	
Highways,	262 50	
		\$268 50
By Wiggin, as Treasurer :		
For bridges and culverts,	\$20 73	
Highways,	299 45	
	320 18	
		\$588 68
		\$0 25

Leaving the amount of 25c. as in excess of the Town Highway fund of 1905.

*See page 37, State Highway statement by A. W. Dean.

State Highway.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Highway Department, February 8, 1906.

Statement Relating to State Aid for Highways in Town of Stratham.

Under Chapter 29 of the Laws of 1899, towns are required to raise one-fourth of one per cent. of their valuation for maintenance of roads, provided, however, that no town is required to raise an amount exceeding \$50 per mile of road. The valuation of the towns for 1906 and the actual mileage of roads in each town cannot be definitely stated at this date, hence the amounts opposite "A" and "C" below are approximate only.

Subject to the above statement, the following amounts relate to the above-named town :

A.	Amount required to be raised under the law of 1899, one-fourth of one per cent.,	\$979 43
B.	Additional amount if town applies for state aid,	195 50
C.	Total minimum amount required to be raised for high- way purposes if town applies for state aid,	\$1,174 93

If no application for state aid is made in 1906, the town is required under Section 3 of Chapter 35, Laws of 1905, to set apart and expend for permanent improvement the sum of \$391.00.

If the town does apply for state aid under the above-mentioned law of 1905, a joint fund for the town is formed, the items of which are as follows :

Set apart by town under Section 3,	\$391 00
Set apart by town under Section 4,	195 50
Apportioned by state under Section 5,	351 60
Total joint fund for 1906,	\$938 10
Unexpended balance from 1905 fund,	52 52
Total available fund,	\$990 62

The unexpended balance of 1905 fund is divided between the town treasury and the state treasury as follows :

Amount in town treasury,	\$33 00
Amount in state treasury.	19 52

A. W. DEAN, State Engineer.

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 12, 1905.

MR. JOHN F. EMERY,
Chairman, Board of Selectmen,
Stratham, N. H.

Dear Sir: At a meeting of the committee of the Council held to-day bids were opened for work in the town of Stratham. Your bid was the only one received, and it was voted to award the contract to the town.

Yours truly,

A. W. DEAN.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, HIGHWAY DEPT.

Statement of joint fund account.

STRATHAM, Dec. 21, 1905.

Town contribution,	\$586 50	
State "	351 60	
Total joint fund,		\$938 10
Town disbursements approved,	\$857 05	
*State "	28 53	
Total disbursements,		\$885 58
Paid by State to Town,	\$303 55	
†Balance in Town Treasury,	33 00	
" State "	19 52	
Total unexpended balance,	52 52	
		\$938 10

*State disbursements indicated above are payments State from the joint fund for surveys, plans, inspection, or advertising.

†The balance in the Town treasury remains for future expenditure in accordance with Chapter 35, Laws of 1905, and the regulations adopted by the Governor and Council.

A. W. DEAN, State Engineer.

PARKMAN FILL.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid George R. Brewster, team,	9 1-2 days,	\$38 00
Charles J. Brewster,	" 7 "	28 00
Augustus H. Otis,	" 2 "	8 00
W. Leslie Dining,	" 5 "	20 00
Willard G. Parkman,	" 9 1-2 "	38 00
John S. Scammon,	" 2 1-2 "	10 00
John F. Ayer,	" 6 1-2 "	26 00
Harry A. Oliver, labor,	1 1-2 "	2 25
Warren D. Chapman,	" 10 "	15 00
Thomas Ford,	" 9 "	13 50
William F. Currier,	" 8 "	12 00
John F. Emery,	" 10 "	20 00
George W. Parkman,	" 1 "	1 50
Augustus H. Otis,	" 2 1-2 "	3 75
Uri A. Lane,	" 8 3-8 "	16 75
James O'Brien,	" 3 "	4 50
George H. Bowley,	" 7 "	14 00
Harry E. Boston,	" 6 "	9 00
William Wentworth,	" 4 "	6 00
Charles J. Brewster, rails for Scammon fence,		1 00
Peter Cote, iron work,		2 17
Emery & Co., dynamite, powder, car fare, etc.,		1 35
Charles H. Taylor, oil,		65
William Morrill, recording deed,		70
George E. Gowen, use of dray,		2 00
J. Wesley Berry, rocks,		1 22
John F. Ayer, rails and iron for bridge,		65
" 20 posts for Scammon fence,		5 00
Emery & Co., returning Gowen dray,		1 00
John F. Emery, 1-2 of joint bill, going to Concord 3 times, use of telephone, etc.,		4 89
James W. Rollins, 1-2 cost of roller,		7 50
Hilliard & Kimball, wire, etc.,		3 51
Total,		\$315 89

*MORRELL HILL.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid G. R. Brewster, team, 16 days			\$64 00
C. J. Brewster, " 13 " 2 1-2 hours,			53 12
W. L. Dining, " 13 "			52 00
John F. Ayer, " 10 "			40 00
W. G. Parkman, " 6 "			24 00
Augustus H. Otis, " 3 "			12 00
J. S. Scammon, " 5 " 6 "			23 67
Harry Oliver, labor, 3 1-2 days,			5 25
H. E. Boston, " 5 " 2 hours,			7 80
Thomas Ford, " 12 " 7 "			19 13
W. D. Chapman, " 12 1-2 "			18 75
Uri A. Lane, " 20 " 2 3-4 hrs.,			40 62
Wm. Wentworth, " 6 "			9 00
G. H. Bowley, " 15 "			30 00
W. F. Currier, " 11 1-2 "			17 25
G. W. Parkman, " 2 "			3 00
A. H. Otis, " 3 1-2 "			5 25
John F. Emery, " 19 "			38 00
Dana W. Baker, 20 loads of sand,			1 00
Peter Cote, iron work,			2 18
John F. Emery, 15 loads cobble stone,			15 00
John S. Scammon, 15 " " "			15 00
J. Wesley Berry, rocks,			1 22
James W. Rollins, 1-2 cost of roller,			7 50
Like & Sons, cement,			4 54
Charles H. Taylor, oil,			1 30
C. G. Collburn, markers and straight edge,			70
W. Lesley Dining, 3 loads cobble stone,			3 00
John F. Emery, 1-2 joint bill going to Concord 3 times, use of telephone, etc.,			4 89
Hilliard & Kimball, tile, shovel, lanterns, etc.,			21 99
Total,			\$541 16

RECAPITULATION.

Parkman Fill,	\$315 89
Morrell Hill,	541 16
	\$857 05

* See page 41.

CONCORD, N. H., February 28, 1906.

MR. JOHN F. EMERY,

Chairman Board of Selectmen, Stratham, N. H.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of February 27, at hand, and in reply thereto beg leave to make the following statements :

The grade of Morrell Hill, so called, was evened up by filling depressions and cutting down elevations, the greatest cut being about five inches at a point near the top of the hill at Station 1, as shown on the plan, and the greatest fill being a little over one foot, which fill was made between Stations 2 and 3, as shown on the plan. The top of the hill, after completion, is at most points lower than before work was commenced, and is at no point more than two inches higher than before work commenced.

From your letter I should judge that some critics claimed that the top of the hill had been filled, and that the grade of the hill is steeper now than before any work was done. I would state, on the contrary, that where the steepest grade on the hill before any work was done was 5 1-2 feet rise in 100 feet length, the steepest grade after work was completed is about 4 1-4 feet rise to 100 feet in length.

In regard to gravel used would say that the gravel is as good as could be obtained in that vicinity, and I consider it a very fair quality.

In reference to advertising for bids would say that the notice to contractors was advertised in the *Manchester Union*, August 23-31, inclusive (eight times,) and in addition to the advertisement, notice was mailed to each of twenty-five different contractors.

Further information will be gladly furnished if desired.

Yours truly,

A. W. DEAN, State Engineer.

Town Clerk's Voucher.

Received of the Town Clerk of Stratham records transmitted under the requirements of Chapter 21, Laws of 1905, as follows :

Births,	415,	returned for the years	1700 to 1785,	(in part).
Marriages,	89,	"	"	1718 to 1796, "
Deaths,	77,	"	"	1717 to 1844, "
Births,	380,	"	"	1701 to 1805, "
Deaths,	20,	"	"	1766 to 1789, "

For these returns the said Town Clerk is entitled to receive from the said town the sum of five cents each.

IRVING A. WATSON, Registrar.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 12, 1906.

Obtaining seventy eight names omitted from Records of Births, to complete said records, as required and provided for by an act, March 9, 1893, and as amended by the legislature, 1899.

Received in total for state returns, 981, at 5c,	\$49 05
" " town records,	19 50

\$68 55

Received payment,

F. J. FRANKLYN.

Approved.

GEO. H. BOWLEY,	} Selectmen of
W. L. DINING,	

Report of Library Trustees.

During the current year 158 volumes have been added to the library. Of these 53 were purchased from the annual appropriation. Of the remainder the Lane genealogies in three volumes were donated by Mrs. Mary W. Fitts and Mrs. Mary E. Chapman; one volume, a sketch of James H. Fitts, donated by Mrs. Fitts, and one by the Union Press Co.

Miss Lottie G. Smart, who has served very acceptably as librarian for several years, resigned her position January 1, and the services of Miss Louie F. Mugridge were secured.

Financial statement for the year ending Feb. 15, 1906:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1905,	\$4 39
Oct. 7, 1905, received of town, annual appropriation,	\$55 80
Fines,	3 34
Total Receipts,	\$63 53

EXPENDITURES.

1905.		
Aug. 16,	Old Corner book store, books,	\$2 35
Sept. 21,	Burnham book store, " "	1 25
	Old Corner book store, " "	8 86
1906.		
Jan. 2,	DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., " "	3 69
	Old Corner book store, " "	22 36
	4, James H. Batchelder, " "	20 65
		\$59 16
Cash to balance,		4 37
		\$63 53

STRATHAM, N. H., Feb., 1906.

We have this day examined the above accounts of the Library Trustees and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance of \$4.37 in the hands of the Treasurer.

FRANK H. PEARSON, }
F. J. FRANKLYN, } Auditors.

ANNUAL LIST OF BOOKS.

3A25	Mother Goose Melodies,	Anon.
11B7	A Proposal Under Difficulties,	Bangs, John Kendrick
34B	Queen Zexi of IX,	Baum, L. Frank
35B	Pardners,	Beach, Rex E.
36B	The Young Man and the World,	Beveridge, Albert J.
37B	In the Grip of the Mullah,	Brereton, Capt. F. S.
38B	The Southerners,	Brady, Cyrus Townsend
38B1	For Love of Country,	" " "
39B	Miss Pritchard's Wedding Trip,	Buraham, Clara Louise
32C	Blake Redding, a boy of to-day,	Clark, Natalie Rice
3D18	Little Girl in Old New York,	Douglas, Amanda M.
11D3	The Return of Sherlock Holmes,	Doyle, A. Conan
23D2	In the Line,	Dudley, Albertus T.
25D	Dr. Grenfell's Parish,	Duncan, Norman
26D	Jogging Round the World,	Dunham, Edith
9F	Clif, The Naval Cadet,	Fitch, Ensign Clarke, U. S. N.
14H6	The Brethren,	Haggard, H. Rider
22H1	Two in Italy,	Howe, Maude
32H2	Sandy,	Rice, Alice Hegan
34H	Talitha Cumi,	Holland, Annie J.
5I	An Island in the Air,	Ingersoll, Ernest
11J	At Sunwich Port,	Jacobs, W. W.
30M	An Irishman's Story,	McCarthy, Justin
31M1	Nedra,	McCutcheon, George Barr
31M2	Graustark,	" "
18P	The House on the Hudson,	Powell, Frances
14R1	Lavender and Old Lace,	Reed, Myrtle
14R2	The Master's Violin,	" "
16R	Amy in Acadia,	Reed, Helen Leah
1S2	The House of Egremont,	Seawell, Molly Elliot
29S2	Real Boys,	Shute, Henry A.
29S3	Letters to Beany,	" "
16Tr	The Gambler,	Thurston, K. C.
3W4	Rose O'the River,	Wiggin, Kate D.
3W5	The Diary of a Goose Girl,	" "

27W2	Conjuror's House,	White, Stewart E.
27W3	The Claim Jumpers,	" "
31W	The Marriage of William Ashe,	Ward, Mrs. Humphrey
32W	The Lightning Conductor,	Williamson, C. N. and A. M.
32W1	My Friend, the Chauffeur,	" " "
32W2	The Princess Passes,	" " "
2Z	The Widow O'Callaghan's Boys,	Zollinger, Gulielma
B93	James Hill Fitts.	
D15	Poems,	Laighton, Albert
H103	Lane Genealogies,	{ Chapman, Rev. Jacob Fitts, Rev. James H.
H104	" "	" " "
H105	" "	" " "
H106	History of Andrew Jackson,	Buell, Augustus
H107	" " "	" "
H108	A Southern Girl in '61,	Wright, Mrs. D. Giraud
H109	The Philippine Islands,	Atkinson, Fred W.
H110	The Memorial War Book,	Williams, Major G. F.
H111	The Negro,	Page, Thomas Nelson
M43	Inebriety,	Palmer, Charles F.
T82	Travels Into Several Remote Nations of the World,	Gulliver, Lemuel
T83	Jungle Trails and Jungle People,	Whitney, Caspar
T84	Sailing Alone Around the World,	Slocum, Capt. Joshua
U58	The Orchard and Fruit Garden,	Powell, E. P.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. GOWEN,	} Library
MRS. FRANK H. PEARSON,	
R. M. SCAMMON,	

Trustees.

Annual Report of the Board of Education.

ORGANIZATION.

JOHN F. EMERY, ...	Chairman.
ARTHUR H. CRAIG, ...	Secretary.
WILLIAM L. MORSE, ...	Treasurer.

CALENDAR.

Spring term, ...	April 10 to June 16.
Fall term, ...	September 5 to December 20.
Winter term, ...	January 8 to February 23.

TEACHERS.

Division No. 1.

Miss Mary E. Folsom, Epping.

Division No. 2.

Miss Susie O. French, Stratham.

Miss Mary E. Bartlett, Lee.

Division No. 3.

Miss J. Maud French, Stratham.

Division No. 4.

Miss Isabel Burt, Exeter.

DIVISION I.

This school for the entire year has been in charge of Miss Mary E. Folsom, a teacher of last year. Always genial in and out of the school room, she won the confidence of pupil and parent, and at all times on our visits to this school the scholars were attentive and

had work to do. Miss Folsom, a graduate of Sanborn Seminary, where she was a leading scholar of her class, as a teacher in our schools, instils into her pupils that degree of thoroughness which as a pupil herself marked her scholastic standing. Division 1 should certainly retain her services for another year.

DIVISION 2.

This school, again the largest in town, is without doubt the most difficult to manage and the hardest to attain results, not because of any lack of brightness of its pupils, but from the fact that a roguishness is apparent that is not manifest in the other schools. The Spring term was taught by Miss Susie O. French, a teacher of many years' experience, who not only attained results as a teacher, but proved herself a lady of rare qualities, and it was with reluctance that we accepted her resignation at the commencement of the Fall term. We believe in keeping the old standbys. However, on short notice we considered ourselves fortunate when we engaged the services of Miss Mary E. Bartlett, of Lee, who came highly recommended not only in point of service as a teacher, but as an educator whose methods were along the line of progression. The success of Misses Smart and French, former teachers, still fresh in the minds of the parents, made it more difficult for any teacher to succeed. But by persistent efforts in and out of the school room Miss Bartlett has along general lines been a successful teacher. It must be borne in mind that a perfect teacher is difficult to find, but should be retained when secured.

DIVISION 3.

This school has for the entire year been in charge of Miss J. Maud French, a graduate of Robinson Seminary, the youngest of a family of teachers which Stratham claims with pride. Her school room always in an orderly manner, scholars prompt in recitation, bespeaks for this teacher success. Your committee on each visit found the teacher alive to her work and with but one feature not approved of by them, the last remnant of the Supervisory System, the sand box. We, however, recommend her retention for the next year.

DIVISION 4.

Miss Isabel Burtt, a teacher of little experience, was given this school at the beginning of the Spring term, which she taught with much success; your committee at once secured her services for the remainder of the school year. Miss Burtt, although young, yet by force of character in and out of the school room won a place in the hearts of pupil and parent. Her methods with the younger pupils are excellent and could be well copied by other teachers. Although this school is small, yet its pupils are entitled to as good instruction as the other districts, which it has always been your committee's aim to procure.

GENERAL REMARKS.

In making a review of the past year we find the conditions that are so essential in a model school system existing in our town, and by frequent visits to other towns and observing their methods of education would frankly say that we are not above improvement, yet our schools are superior to many. The thoroughness of teachers in our schools is lacking in many of our sister towns; we say this not to criticise our neighbors, but to make us more content and to impress upon some parents that our schools are not upon the decline.

We find the teaching of the Supervisory System nearly eradicated with the exception of one school; yet it is hoped by persistent observation of the teacher that this sand hill education will be banished from the school room never to return and not absent only when the School Board is present. It should be borne in mind that in the selection of the teachers rests the education of the pupil to some extent and none but competent instructors should be secured. But with competent teachers and a willing School Board, without co-operation of parent and pupil our schools will be a failure. We congratulate pupil, teacher, School Board and parent that harmony is abroad and the trouble hunter is not in evidence.

It has always been our aim to secure the best teachers, pay them good wages and thereby give to our school children the benefit of money and brains.

Parents should be judicial in their criticisms of the teacher and not exercise the right of speaking openly against the teacher in the presence of the pupil, as a great and lasting wrong is oftentimes done not only to the teacher but to the pupil. We ask of parents consideration of this great wrong. Some parents have criticised the teacher to the School Board, but not for the mere fact of finding fault but for the benefit of the school; we thank all such parents at this time and invite them to do likewise in the future. With those who have not the courage of their conviction to openly assail the School Board we sympathize. But those who speak to us for the good of our common schools we most heartily thank and recognize as public benefactors. For the continued prosperity of the Common School System we remain

Most respectfully yours,

JOHN F. EMERY,	}	School Board.
WM. L. MORSE,		
ARTHUR H. CRAIG,		

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SCHOOLS.

DIVISIONS.	1	2	3	4	Totals.
No. of weeks in Spring Term . . .	10	10	10	10	40
No. of weeks in Fall Term	16	15	16	16	63
No. of weeks in Winter Term . . .	7	7	7	7	28
No. of pupils registered in Spring Term	32	45	16	13	106
No. of pupils registered in Fall Term	36	48	27	12	123
No. of pupils registered in Winter Term	25	41	23	11	100
Average daily attendance, Spring Term	22	39	12	10	...
Average daily attendance, Fall term .	27	42	15	9	...
Average daily attendance, Winter Term	22	36	17	10	...
Percentage of attendance for year .	88	89	88	87	88
Wages of teachers in Spring Term .	\$38	\$42	\$32	\$30	...
Wages of teachers in Fall Term . . .	38	42	32	30	...
Wages of teachers in Winter Term .	38	42	32	30	...
No. of pupils not absent, Spring Term	5	15	3	2	25
No. of pupils not absent, Fall Term .	6	16	3	3	28
No. of pupils not absent, Winter Term	2	14	4	2	22
Percentage of attendance, Spring Term	88	90	89	88	...
Percentage of attendance, Fall Term .	89	92	80	87	...
Percentage of attendance, Winter Term	87	87	80	88	...

Whole number of scholars, 123. Boys, 65; girls, 58. By enumeration, 149.

Of these 24 attend schools in other towns, and 2 have removed from town.

ROLL OF HONOR.

DIVISION I.

Not absent or tardy for year.—Chester Scammon.

Not absent or tardy for two terms.—Maud Thompson, Vera Tuttle.

Not absent or tardy for one term.—Leonard Tuttle, Bertha Stickney, Eva Smith, Wallace Ayer, James O'Brien, Annie O'Brien.

DIVISION 2.

Not absent or tardy for year.—Nellie Chapman, Florence Chadbourn, Mae Gregory, Myra Jewell.

Not absent or tardy for two terms.—Vera Cottrell, Ruth Godfrey, Edith Lane, Doris Littlefield, Archie Craig, Arthur Craig, Maurice Cottrell, Arthur Morse.

Not absent or tardy for one term.—Gertrude Beals, Myrtle Beals, Edith Chadbourn, Mary Chase, Leah Cottrell, Alice Odell, Florence Odell, Ethel Proctor, Hugh Chase, John Chapman, Louise Godfrey, Shirley Godfrey, George Hodgdon, Vernon Bond, Norman Gregory, Philip Gregory, Joseph Parks.

DIVISION 3.

Not absent or tardy for year.—Marion A. Jewell, Alice M. Grant.

Not absent or tardy for two terms.—Shirley W. Gowen, Richard F. Smith, Bertha Chapman.

REPORT OF FRED N. EDMUNDS, TREASURER SCHOOL
DISTRICT FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd of A. C. Lane, School Treasurer,	\$369 33
E. N. Smith, Town "	458 95
I. S. Wiggins, " "	1,112 85
" " " " Parker	
fund,	37 40
Total receipts,	<u>\$1,978 53</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Susie O. French, teaching,	\$177 00
J. Maud French, "	268 00
Bertha M. Rand, "	80 00
Mary E. Folsom, "	285 00
Isabel Burtt, "	195 00
Mary E. Bartlett, "	157 50

REPAIRS AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Frank L. Tuttle, color on blackboards,	\$6 35
" " repairs Division 1 and 4,	7 10
W. L. Morse, wood to Sept. 1, 1905,	120 00
J. F. Emery, repairs,	2 50
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	15 79
Augustus Young, stoves, etc.,	21 90
Channing Folsom, cabinet,	71 25
F. L. Emery, cleaning Division 1 school-house,	4 00
Melvin D. Stickney, wood,	13 00
Dana W. Baker, wood,	18 00
F. L. Emery, cleaning Division 2 schoolhouse,	4 00
Frank L. Tuttle, boxes, etc., fences Division 4,	26 26
G. C. Colburn, fence, Division 4,	38 39
J. F. Emery, wood for Division 4,	4 50
Hilliard & Kimball, paint, Division 4,	2 55
Mrs. Perley Cilley, cleaning, Division 4,	3 50
John H. Davis, painting fence,	7 50
Mrs. D. C. Chapman, cleaning Division 3 schoolhouse,	4 00
Frank L. Tuttle, repairs,	2 25
Shirley Gowen, Janitor,	18 00
Burnham Cooper, "	4 00
Ray Otis, "	4 00
A. W. Rollins, "	6 00
Lucy Lane, "	7 50

Paid Wallace Ayer,	Janitor,	\$3 75
Frank E. Craig,	"	10 50
Lewis Lane,	"	2 25
Arthur Edmunds,	"	8 00
Balance on hand,		378 88
		\$1,978 53

STRATHAM, N. H., Feb. 14, 1906.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of School Treasurer Fred N. Edmunds and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance on hand of three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$378 88).

FRANK H. PEARSON,
FREDERICK J. FRANKLYN, } Auditors.

BIRTHS Registered in the Town of Stratham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1905.

Date 1905.	Name of Child (if any.)	Living or Still-born.			Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
		Male or Female.	No. of Child.					
Mar. 2	Grace Caroline	F	2		Franklin B. Garvin	Alma B. Cooper	Londonderry	Nova Scotia.
11		"	3		Orrin Cottrell	Bessie Arving	Belfast, Me.	P. E. Island.
Apr. 3		"	2		John E. Billings	Florence B. Kelley	Weymouth, Ms.	Stratham.
May 8	Walter I.	M	2		Frank I. Witham	Nellie W. Holley	Stratham	Gloucester, Ms.
11	Emma May	F	2		Warren F. Witham	Georgia L. Barnaby	Nottingham	Nova Scotia.
Aug. 1	Arthur C.	M	3		John S. Brewster	Helen B. Cottrell	Stratham	Belfast, Me.
13	Albert E.	"	1		Howard M. Wiggins	Lizzie B. Thurston	Stratham	Newton.
Mar. 17	Esther V.	F	2		Frank R. Wing	Lina A. Wheeler	Bridgewater, Ms.	Taunton, Mass.
Sept. 24	Elise Green	"	2		George H. Wiggin	Margie P. Green	Stratham	Exeter.
Oct. 17	Nelson Ezra	M	2		Frank R. Barker,	Laura Snell	Stratham	Nova Scotia.
Nov. 5	Lawrence W.	"	6		John S. Scammon,	Lilla B. Brewster	Stratham	Stratham.
19	Clarence E.	"	7		Arthur H. Thompson	May Belle Chase	Wilmot	Woodstock.
Dec. 28	Wesley E.	"	3		Charles N. Lane	Lillian S. Chapman	No. Hampton	Stratham.
1904								
Apr. 12	*Alice Gertrude	F	4		James O'Brien	Cora A. Wentworth	New Brunswick	Stratham.
Dec. 21	*Madeline V.	"	7		William H. Gregory	Emma C. Hannibal	Penbody, Mass.	Salem, Mass.

*Omitted from former reports.

MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of Stratham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1905.

Date 1905.	Place of Marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Oct. 25	Stratham	Perley J. Wells Bertha A. Hoag	23 45	W "	Epping Portsmouth	John W. Wells Bartholomew Clasby		Rev. Bernard Copping, Stratham
Nov. 25	Haverhill, Ms.	Ralph Ernest Spurr Anna E. V. Hanson	30 24	W "	Nova Scotia Sweden	Michael Spurr Alfred J. Hansen		Rev. Wm. O. Baker, Haverhill, Mass.
Dec. 23	Stratham	Albert E. West Mrs. Nellie A. Tuttle	27 27	W "	Amesbury, Ms. Stratham	John A. West William Wentworth		Rev. J. H. Mugridge, Stratham

DEATHS Registered in the Town of Stratham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1905.

Date, 1905.	Name and Surname of Deceased.	Age			Place of Birth.	Male or Female	Color	Single, Married or Widowed.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years .	Months.	Days. .						
Jan. 10	Sophia W. Dolloff	84	5		Stratham	F	W	W	Nicholas Chase	Hannah Marston.
Feb. 18	E. M. C. Lane	89	4	26	Stratham	M	"	"	Samuel Lane	
Mar. 11	George P. Hoag	67	5	18	Stratham	"	"	"	Levi Hoag	Sarah Piper.
July 24	Joseph C. A. Wingate	74	3	25	Stratham	"	"	W	John Wingate	Caroline Smith.
Aug. 20	Ella J. Pinkham	41	9	24	Greenland	F	"	W	Charles Hodgdon	Lucinda T. Foss.
Sept. 27	Evelyn A. Horne	62	5	11	Barrington	"	"	W	Hanson Caverly	Hannah French.
	Olivia Emeline Lane	79	9	20	Newfields	"	"	S	Charles Lane	Emily A. Prescott.
Oct. 3	Margie P. Wiggin	34	1	20	Exeter	"	"	M	George W. Green	Florence M. Hanscom.
Oct. 18	Richard G. Otis	18	10	3	Stratham	M	"	S	Augustus H. Otis	Mary Foye.
Nov. 17	Ruth F. Barker	69	2	1	Stratham	F	"	W	Josiah A. Haines	Bulia Winchester.
Dec. 6	Eliza H. Sproule	63	8	7	Nova Scotia	"	"	"	Jeremiah Smith	
	Reuben B. Smith	93	1	17	Stratham	M	"	"	Reuben Smith	Jane Pottle.

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